

## FIFTY YEARS FOR GORDON-VAN TINE

Now It Is Largest Exclusive Building Material Concern in the World.

IS A NATIONAL INSTITUTION

Davenport Company Is Carrying on Business With Ten Thousand Contractors.

Comparatively few tri-city people realize that the largest exclusive building material house in the entire world is located in Davenport. Yet, recently compiled statistics indicate that the Gordon-Van Tine company occupies that enviable position.

Starting as a purely local concern half a century ago this company has grown into a national institution until, today, it does business regularly with over 100,000 customers and ships daily, not only to every state in the union but to all parts of the world. It would be difficult to mention a country anywhere in which the Gordon-Van Tine company has not at least some customers. Indeed many know Davenport only as the home of this concern.

The enormous nation-wide business of the Gordon-Van Tine company has been built up entirely on one great idea—the plan of giving bigger value for less money and refunding every cent paid, cheerfully and without argument, if the buyer is in the slightest degree dissatisfied.

It is at once apparent that such a broad-gauged policy could be made a success in only one way. The goods must be absolutely right. To try to sell any other kind on a binding guarantee of "satisfaction or money back" would spell disaster. The Gordon-Van Tine company's business has been built up on selling high quality goods. That this fact is fully appreciated in over 100,000 homes is self-evident. The extraordinary growth of the business speaks for itself.

Maintains Retail Store.

As the one concern in America specializing exclusively on building materials, and ready to supply "a house," the Gordon-Van Tine company also does business regularly with over 10,000 contractors, carpenters and builders. Its 154-page illustrated catalogue containing over five thousand building and remodeling bargains is universally looked upon as the "builders' encyclopedia" and price-maker to the trade. This book, by the way, is free on request.

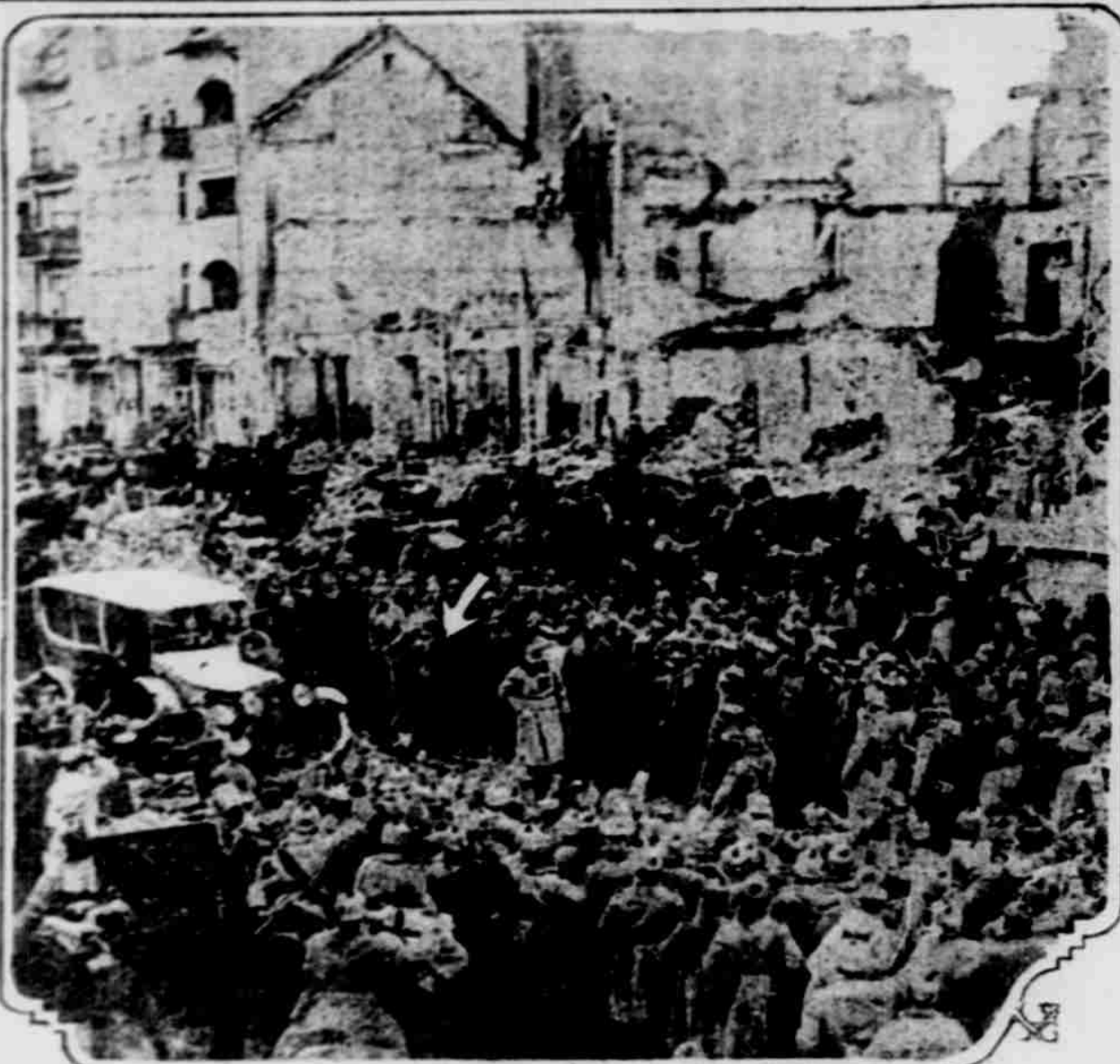
The opportunity for close economical buying that exists through the Gordon-Van Tine company's retail store is apparent to every tri-city resident. A chance to buy at the wholesale prices in their 5,000 bargain catalogue and still be able to go right to the store and see the goods is something for which many of their

## An Automobile Fort

One of the latest inventions for service in war times is called the war motor or movable fort. It can be operated by a few men, and wherever it has been used has always demonstrated its efficiency.

An efficient aid to Nature in cases of poor appetite, headache, bloating, indigestion, dyspepsia, biliousness and constipation can be found in Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Time and again it has demonstrated its efficiency, and if you will only use it promptly may be the means of helping you very materially towards recovering your health and strength. Give it a fair trial.—(Adv.)

## KAISER TRIUMPHANTLY ENTERS THE RUINED CITY OF LYCK



Emperor William (arrow) entering Lyck, East Prussia, after Russians had been driven out.

Emperor William received a great ovation recently when he entered the city of Lyck, East Prussia. The town had just been evacuated by the Russians, who captured it after a severe bombardment during which much damage was done. The photo was taken just after the kaiser had left his auto to meet some of the dignitaries of the town.

mail customers would give a great deal.

The Gordon-Van Tine company's store is at the corner of East River and Federal streets, Davenport, and can be reached by the Third street car line.

### OLD MISSION BEER

Equal to the Best Imported. Have you tasted Old Mission beer? Equal to the best imported and recommended by physicians.

(Adv.) ROCK ISLAND BREWING CO.

Mothers of This Country have through all ages past and will through all years to come take care of the ordinary simple ailments incident to every family with their own favorite remedy.

In almost every home in the land Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the recognized standard household remedy for female ills; thousands of American women owe their good health to it. Made from the roots and herbs of the field, it is a simple remedy in which suffering women may place perfect confidence. It contains no narcotics or harmful drugs.—(Adv.)

### Notice.

Bids will be received at the mayor's office, city of Rock Island, until 10 a. m., April 19, 1915, for auditing all city accounts.

H. M. SCHRIVER, Mayor.

(Adv.) All the news all the time—The Argus.

## DAY IN DAVENPORT

Licensed to Wed.—Phillip L. Rider and Lily O. Huston, both of Davenport.

Blind Pig Found: Woman Pays Fine.—Belle Carr, 429 East Second street, was fined \$50 and court costs by Justice Phil Daum, acting police magistrate, yesterday afternoon, on the charge of selling intoxicating liquors without a license. The woman admitted she was the keeper of a resort on East Second street. She paid her fine and the other charge was not prosecuted on her promise to leave the city.

Almost No Peach Crop This Year.—Scott county will have almost no peach crop this year according to fruit growers and the cherry crop will be an extremely light one. Both the peach and cherry buds were winter killed. On the cherry trees the center bud, being protected by the surrounding cluster is in many cases the only one of the cluster that escaped being killed by the frost and will bear. Other fruit, especially the apples, are expected to show a heavy yield. The harvest in case of trees having live buds will be increased by the large amount of spraying that is to take place this spring. The Scott county farmers have had such success with spraying for oats smut and potato blight that they are turning this same process to the improvement of their orchards.

Wet Bill Passed by Iowa Senate.—A bill permitting the excess saloons in Davenport and Dubuque to remain in business until the state becomes dry, Jan. 1, 1916, was passed by the Iowa senate yesterday. The measure affects 40 saloons. Under a law passed two years ago placing special charter cities in the same class with others, it was required that saloons be reduced to one bar for every 1,000 of population. Another cut would have been required in Davenport July 1. Now all saloons will be permitted to operate until Jan. 1, 1916. The bill which passed the senate was given favorable action by the house recently. It will now become a law when signed by the governor.

In District Court.—Dismissal of the damage suit instituted by Nettie Stuehmer against the city of Davenport has been filed by the plaintiff's attorneys, Ruymann & Ruymann. A motion for attorneys' fees in defending the suit for divorce brought by her husband has been filed by the defendant in the case of P. W. Hall vs. Sarah Bodie Hall. Ira Tabor is the attorney. A decree of divorce has been granted Hazel Klusmeyer from her husband, H. B. Klusmeyer by Judge Letts. J. A. Hanley is the attorney. Through Attorney C. Hall the will of the late John Conway has been filed for probate. The instrument, dated Sept. 26, 1905, appointed the daughter, Minnie E. Conway, executrix, and leaves the entire property to the three children, William J. Martin and Minnie E. Conway.

Butcher Denies He Slept in Ice Box.—Friedrich Hofm, proprietor of the meat market at 1548 Rockingham road, who was arrested Saturday on complaint of the inspector after he had been found asleep in the ice box at his place, said yesterday that the cooler had not been used recently. He was brought before Magistrate Roddewig to answer to the charge of the city inspector. He admitted that he had become intoxicated during the forenoon before going to sleep in the rear of the shop. He was fined \$5

## WILSON EXPECTS PARTY WILL WIN

President Confident of Public Support of Policies in 1916 Contests.

Washington, D. C., April 12.—President Wilson refuses to share the discouragement of some democratic leaders over political prospects.

The Thompson landslide in Chicago and republican victories in many other municipal elections do not disturb the president's confidence that the people will endorse the democratic national administration in the presidential election next year. He believes there will be two principal factors in the judgment of his administration by the voters, and that in both cases it will be favorable. These two factors are:

The guidance of the affairs of the nation through the maze of pitfalls produced by the European war.

The enactment of the legislation which the president believes has liberated business from monopolistic control.

The president realizes that for several months the republicans have been able to make political capital of the business depression for which they urged the people, apparently with considerable success, to blame the democrats. But times are on the mend, in the opinion of the president, and within a few months the republicans, he thinks, will be bereft of this issue.

Some democratic leaders expressed the opinion that the wave of speculation which has hit the New York stock exchange heralds the advent of real prosperity.

That there will be a spirited contest between the progressive and conservative factions of the republican party already is apparent. Probably the leading progressive candidate is Senator Cummins of Iowa. The conservative sentiment is divided between former Senators Burton and Root. If Supreme Court Justice Hughes could be induced to offer himself he would receive both progressive and conservative support. Senator Weeks of Massachusetts has been put forward as a compromise between conservatism and progressivism.

The choice of a candidate in Illinois will be watched with tremendous interest. The contest appears to be shaping up between James R. Mann as the conservative and Senator Sherman as the progressive entry.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

## What Doctors Use for Eczema

A soothing combination of oil of wintergreen, thymol, and other healing ingredients called D. D. D. Prescription is now a favorite remedy of skin specialists for all skin diseases. It penetrates the pores, gives instant relief from the most distressing itch. Its soothing oils quickly heal the inflamed tissues. All good druggists have D. D. D. Generous trial bottle 25c. Also 50c and \$1.00 bottles. Remember, the first \$1.00 bottle is guaranteed to reach you or your money back promptly. Ask your druggist today for D. D. D. Or write for free trial bottle, D. D. D. Laboratories, Chicago, Dept. 1011.

ALL DRUGGISTS.

## EMBARGO WOULD HAVE ENDED WAR

Vollmer, in Speech at German Evangelical Church Defends His Much Discussed Bill.

AN AID TO NEUTRAL COMMERCE.

Threat to Stop Arms Shipment Could Force English to Keep Hands Off U. S. Ships.

Had Congressman Henry Vollmer's bill to prevent exportation of arms passed both houses last December and received the president's signature, the great war would be a thing of the past now, is the contention the former representative made during the course of his talk before an assembly at the German Evangelical church last night. He defended his measure upon grounds of morality, economics and national policy.

"If the United States stops the nefarious trade in death-dealing arms, the European conflict will cease in 50 days," asserted the Davenport man, "and my statement is borne out by declarations of Lord Kitchener and Earl Gray."

"We pray for peace and for years we have been leaders in the movement for international comity, yet here we permit private armaments to furnish powder, bullets and munitions of all kinds with which our friends, our relatives, perhaps our fathers or brothers may be maimed or killed. I hold by so doing we are actively participating in hostilities."

Held Unneutral Act.

Allowing the exportation of these munitions and thereby prolonging the slaughter of millions in the worst sort of breach of neutrality, according to Mr. Vollmer. He scored in scathing terms the manufacturers of weapons who "fill their pockets with gold glutted with the blood of human beings."

"Of course there is no obligation upon our government to stop the exportation of munitions under international law," he admitted, "but on the other hand, it is no breach of this law to prevent these shipments." John Bassett Moore was quoted as authority for the statement that individuals who participate in such activity are confessedly performing unneutral acts by taking sides in the hostilities.

"Certainly upon moral grounds, the trade cannot be condoned," Mr. Vollmer declared, "and national morals are the most important of all considerations."

War Economic Disaster.

"If the war were stopped in only 30 days the great trade we would have in agricultural products would more than overbalance all the profits from the murderous barter we are now engaged in," the speaker maintained. "And yet Kitchener declares that if arms could not be procured the war would be at an end."

Continuing the discussion of trade conditions Mr. Vollmer submitted the proposition that "we cannot prosper if our customers are killed off." The present depression is due to the complications brought about by the present war and nothing else, he asserted.

No part of the world can suffer in these days when the wireless brings all countries close together without others being affected, he stated. The United States will be a long time recovering from the blow to its commerce.

Act of Defense.

If President Wilson's signature had



## The New "Fireless" Oven

Get the latest NEW PERFECTION Wick Blue Flame Cook Stove this spring and you will have not only a splendid efficient range but also a fireless cook stove—the easiest and most convenient one ever invented.

The secret is in the patented insulated oven, that keeps in the heat, saves fuel and keeps the kitchen cool.

By adjusting the flame you can have the quick heat you want for fast baking, or the slow, steady kind needed for baking bread and roasting.

Seal the oven and turn off the flame and you have a "fireless" which saves all the trouble and the inconvenience of the old-fashioned kind, while doing their work better.

The illustration shows this beautiful range. Notice the cabinet top for warming dishes—how much space there is behind the burners for keeping food hot. For a small sum additional you can have the wonderful NEW PERFECTION Broiler shown on the right hand burner. It broils on both sides at once, improving tenderness and flavor without disagreeable smoke and odor.

This new "fireless" range is moderate priced. It burns clean, cool, convenient, economical oil, which saves you the labor of working with wood and coal and dirty ashes, as well as the misery of a furnace-like kitchen.

It comes in two sizes, but No. 7, illustrated, is the more popular. Your dealer will show it to you. Ask for the NEW PERFECTION Wick Blue Flame Cook Stove and look for the triangle trademark. For best results use Perfection Oil. 72-page cook book FREE for five-cent stamp to pay for mailing.

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## FISKE CALLS NAVY UNREADY; RESIGNS



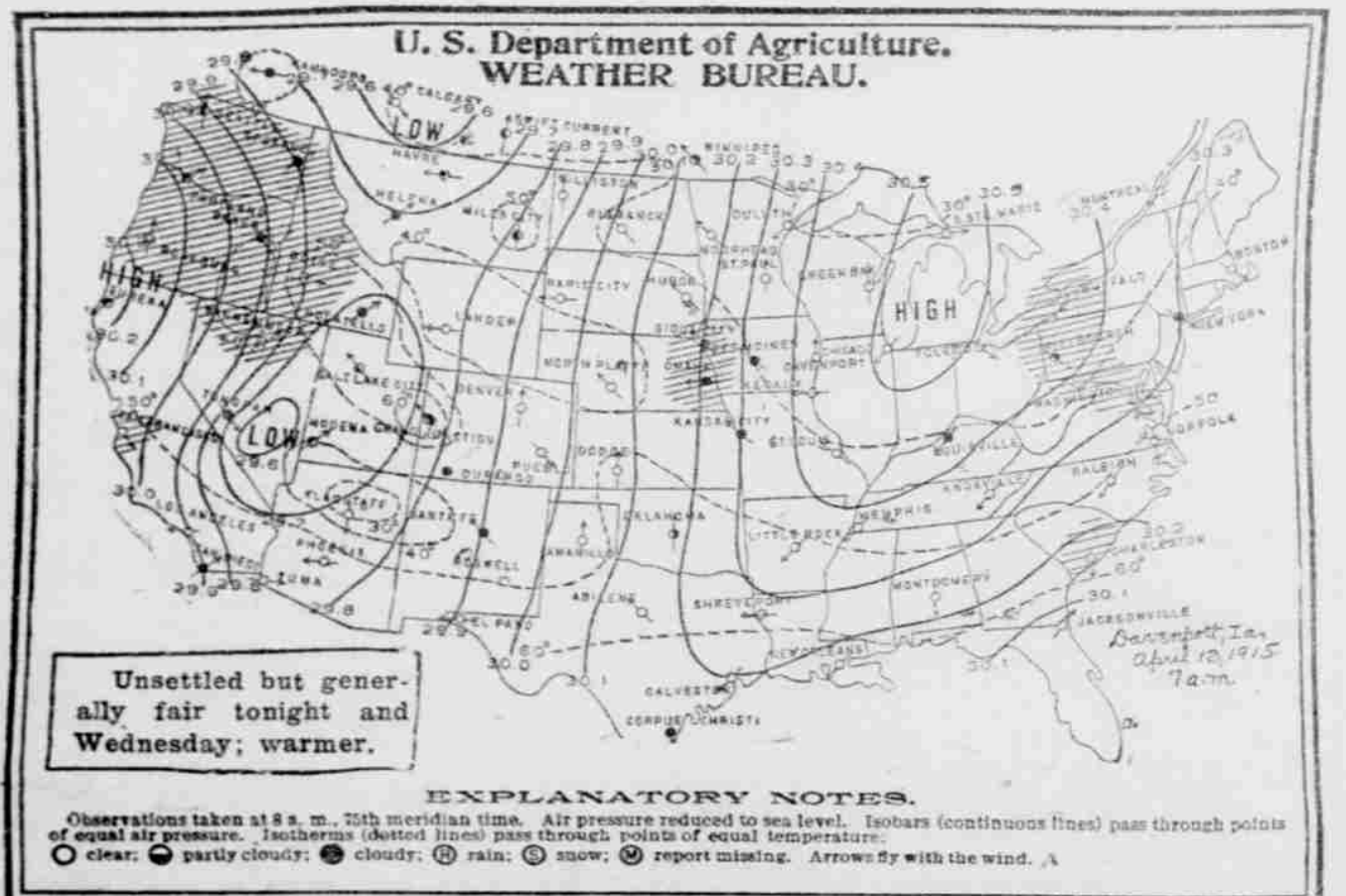
Admiral Bradley A. Fiske.

Unwilling to be held responsible for the condition of the American navy, which he does not think is in shape to defend the nation, Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske has resigned his post as aid for operations. In this capacity he was the ranking officer of the navy, and, in the absence of Secretary Daniels and the first assistant secretary, was in complete charge of the department. He was the secretary's principal adviser on strategy, fleet movements and war preparedness.

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## Daily United States Weather Map



Shaded area shows precipitation of .01 inch or more.

WEATHER OBSERVATIONS.

High pressures and fair weather prevail east of the Rockies, with the crest of the high over Michigan, except that thundershowers have occurred in western Iowa and eastern Nebraska and occasional light rain has fallen during the past 24 hours on the Atlantic slope. Freezing temperatures are again reported from the northwestern portion of the lake region. The western area of low pressure extends from British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan southward to Arizona, with separate centers over

Alberta and southern Nevada, and the attendant rains have occurred from Washington southward to Nevada and northern California. This disturbance has also caused a sharp rise in temperature in the Missouri valley. The continued eastward drift of the high and the approach of the western low will be attended by unsettled, but generally fair, weather and rising temperature in this vicinity tonight and Wednesday.

OBSERVATIONS.

	High.	Low.	Prec.
Boston	65	42	.00
Buffalo	64	30	.10
Davenport	62	26	.00
Denver	76	40	.00
Jacksonville	84	62	.00
Kansas City	63	46	.00
New Orleans	82	64	.00
New York	62	40	.00
St. Louis	58	38	.00
St. Paul	63	34	.00
San Diego	62	55	.00
San Francisco	62	52	.04
Seattle	60	46	.10
Washington	63	42	.02
Winnipeg	62	36	.00
Yellowstone	62	36	.00

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

**Make This Test With Your Cake Flour—**

Squeeze a little flour in your palm. If it's Roxane Cake Flour it will stay together firmly, yet with the first touch shakes apart.

This is a test of the perfect cake flour—Roxane is the answer because it retains the natural moisture of the grain with extreme lightness.

**The Secret of Cake Baking Is Light, White Flour**

Roxane Cake Flour gives exact results with loose bakers. It causes a rising; is supremely light and white; it makes the cake "keep" and it ensures success.

You won't mind the slight extra cost over ordinary flour.

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